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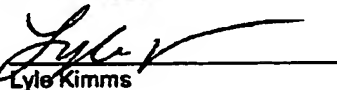
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AMENDMENT & REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION
WITH CLAIM FEE TRANSMITTAL

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated 13 January 2005, this application has been amended

04/25/2005 EHARRIS 00000004 182036 10822215 as indicated below. This reply is timely, but requires a claim fee.

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600.00 The present Amendment introduces 3 additional independent claims (in excess of 3 allotted) that require a fee of \$600. The Commissioner is authorized to charge \$600 (or any additional fees required to maintain the pendency of this application) to Deposit Account No. 18-2056.

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Conclusion

Applicants submit that claims 2-6 and 8-13 are in condition for allowance. Should the examiner have any issues concerning this reply or any other outstanding issues remaining in this application, applicants urge the examiner to contact the undersigned to expedite prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

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